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John A. Easton, at the 1st National Bank, Arlington, Mass., has been appointed Treasurer of the Italian Relief Fund, to whom all money contributions should be sent.

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### ABOUT TOWN MATTERS IN ARLINGTON.

All notices of concerts, lectures, entertainments, etc. to which an admission fee is charged or from which a revenue is to be derived, must be paid for by the list at the regular advertising rates.

The Rev. James Yeames preaches at St. Paul's, Malden, next Sunday morning.

Next Tuesday evening the newly-elected officers of Arlington Council, K. of C. will be installed in their hall on Massachusetts avenue.

Certain complaints have been lodged with the police, made by Mr. C. H. Bugbee, of 60 Bartlett and Mr. Geo. H. Musgrave, of 60 Bartlett, and me.

Town Clerk Robinson's oldest son, Master John E., is taking the census of the births in Arlington for the past year. He is authorized to do this work.

A daughter was born to the Rev. and Mrs. Wm. Austin Hill, Dec. 31st, 1908, at their home at 80 Goodrich ave., St. Paul, Minn. The little one has been named Ruth Albion.

Sunday services at St. John's church, First Sunday after Epiphany, - 10:30. Morning Prayer and sermon. The Rev. Wm. E. Dowdy, rector of St. Paul's, Malden, will preach.

The annual meeting of St. John's parish will be held in the Parish House on Tuesday, 12th, at 7:45. Business—Reports of wardens, clerk, treasurer, vestrymen.

At the meeting of the Selectmen Saturday evening, only routine business came up, aside from endorsing the order for establishing the fund for the earthquake sufferers in Italy.

The meeting of the Joint Boards of the town departments takes place this Saturday evening in the office in Town Hall. The Boards meet the second and fourth Saturdays of the month.

The annual meeting of Arlington Orthodox Congregational church occurs in the vestry this (Friday) evening, at 7:45 o'clock. Reports from heads of the several church activities will be presented at this time.

One of Walter K. Hutchinson's several delivery wagons is reported to have broken down on the avenue in such a manner as to impede the travel on the electric for a short time, on Friday, Jan. 1st, about four o'clock.

Robinson & Hendricks, the real estate agents and auctioneers, have issued a very handsome calendar of mammoth size. It has an artistic and beautifully portrayed illustration of a christening in the early colonial days.

The next scheduled games of Arlington High hockey team are on Jan. 9 and 13. The first date the game is at Milton, with Milton High; the second on Spy Pond, when the home team plays Cambridge Latin team.

The holiday season was given an added significance to Mrs. Frederic Gill of the good will and kindly feeling of the members of the First Parish (Unitarian) church, who at Christmas time presented her with a purse of \$150 in gold.

The ladies of Bradshaw Missionary Asso'n will give a supper in the vestry of Pleasant street Congregational church on next Wednesday evening, at seven o'clock. Following the supper there will be an entertainment.

Arlington Book Club, which is one of the oldest clubs in the town, has this year a membership including Miss E. W. Hodgdon, Miss Frost, A. J. Wellington, Esq., Messrs. Wm. Proctor, Frederick E. Fowle, Hon. James P. Parmenter, Mr. R. A. Gordon.

Selectionman Frederick Mead sails on the Cedris from New York on Saturday for Naples. He will be accompanied by Mr. O. R. Pierce, a former resident of Arlington, but now of Hudson, Michigan, and Mr. Francis V. Mead, of Somerville, a nephew of Mr. Mead.

Horace D. Hardy, Esq., went over to New York last week Saturday to spend the week-end and bring his family back to their home at 48 Irving street. Mrs. Hardy and her two children spent the Christmas holidays with her parents, the Deevys, at their beautiful home at Convent Gate, New Jersey.

The annual parish meeting of the First Universalist society will be held on Thursday evening next, Jan. 14, at eight o'clock, in the vestry of the church. Prior to the meeting there will be a supper served at half-past six. All adult members of the society are urged to be present.

The employees of Arlington Water Dept. are grateful to the Commissioners and other friends whose contributions, added to their own, met all the funeral expenses and cost of interment of their late associate Laurence Powers, whose sudden death was chronicled in these columns last week.

Members of Rev. James Yeames' parish acted as a Santa Claus in his behalf and remunerated him with a decidedly handsome as well as serviceable gift. That he deserved this kindness at their hands no one doubts that is consonant with his work in behalf of St. John's church.

Friday evening, Jan. 1st, the annual meeting of the membership of the Universalist church took place in the vestry of the church, with the usual attendance. Miss Abby Russell was elected clerk of the church for the twenty-eighth time. Committees to visit the sick, to extend hospitality to new comers, and the eight district missionaries were appointed at this time.

Mr. and Mrs. Allan Taft, Jr., have been guests of Mr. Taft's sister, Mrs. Raymond Farr, at her southern home at Georgetown for the past two weeks. Mr.

and Mrs. Wm. D. Elwell left Thursday for the south and will also be guests of Mrs. Farr. As the Tafts remain over for a few days after the arrival of the Elwells, there will be a pleasant house party of congenial friends.

The "Smoker," next Tuesday at the club house of the Boat Club, will be addressed by the Hon. Frank Plumley, member of Congress from Vermont.

Mr. Wm. A. James, who has resided in this town for several years, at 266 Broadway, is an expert accountant and makes a specialty of examinations of bankers for stockholders' committees.

The week of prayer has been observed this week at the Orthodox Cong'l church by two special services on Monday and Wednesday evenings. This (Friday) evening will occur the annual meeting of the church.

This Friday evening Rev. Henry P. Rose will lecture in the Pratt Fund Course in Cotting Hall in the High School, at eight o'clock. The subject of the lecture will be "Homes, haunts and life of Abraham Lincoln."

Mr. Roland A. Hobbs informs us that Harry Doe, who was reported in last week's paper as having been employed at his summer pleasure resort known as "Riverhurst" on the Concord river, has never been connected with the place in any capacity.

The anthems to be sung at the First Baptist church, next Sunday are: Sanctus, Gounod; "Hark, my soul," Chadwick; "God is love," Shelley. Voluntary at 10:30 a.m.

The Women's Guild of St. John's church, will hold an all day meeting Wednesday, Jan. 13th, beginning at 10 a.m., in the Parish House. Lunch will be served at 1 p.m., to which all the members are invited.

Wednesday evening, the annual meeting and election of officers of Court Pride, F. of A., was held. The installation will take place Monday evening next, in Adelphi Hall, and the officers will appear in next week's paper.

The Arlington Business Men's Asso'n held its monthly meeting in Adelphi Hall, Associates Block, last Tuesday evening. The speaker was Rev. James Yeames, rector of St. John's Episcopal First National Bank, reports about \$100

church. Rev. Mr. Yeames spoke on the needs of the business men taking more active part in the departments of the town, especially on the school question.

The young people who appear in "The Sisterhood of Bridget," give a performance that affords one of the most enjoyable evenings we have passed for a long time. The comedy is full of fun and the young people do it in great style.

There is to be a turkey supper in the vestry of the Pleasant street Congregational church, Wednesday evening of next week. Supper served at seven o'clock, followed by an entertainment. Tickets 35 cents. It will be a fine supper.

For Sunday, the 10th, the musical program at Pleasant St. Cong. church will be as follows: Organ prelude, Wolstenholme; anthem, "There is a city great and strong;" Schnecker; anthem, "Come to me thoughts of heaven;" Scott; contralto solo.

Belmont Branch of the Woman's Alliance will hold its monthly meeting in the parlor of the Unitarian church, next Monday afternoon, Jan. 11th. Mr. Robert Wijlard, of Cambridge, will speak on "Postoffice Mission Work," and Miss Helen L. Bayley, of the same city, will speak on "The Cheerful Letter Work."

Not only is the presentation of "The Sisterhood of Bridget" more than worth the admission charged, but by purchasing a ticket to the performance on Friday evening of next week, you will feel that you have done what you could toward allaying the suffering of those so direfully afflicted by the earthquake in Sicily, for all the earnings will be donated to them.

In accordance with his custom for many years the Rev. James Yeames gave his people a motto for the New Year on Sunday morning, preaching from the words "Forgetting those things which are behind and stretching forward to the things which are before, I press on toward the goal, unto the prize." There was a large congregation. The attendance at Sunday school was 99.

In response to the appeal of the Selectmen, issued the latter part of last week, for funds in behalf of the earthquake sufferers in Italy, the treasurer of the fund, John A. Easton, cashier of the First National Bank, reports about \$100

subscribed. The fund will be kept open for some time yet and the Selectmen urge the residents to make an effort toward raising a large sum for the cause.

A water pipe in Studio Building burst Thursday night, flooding the two stores on the street floor. N. J. Hardy suffered most from the break, but his store will be open for business, in spite of the accident.

On account of the rush of business, at this time, Mr. William E. Wood will not be able to play at the organ concert at the Universalist church, Monday evening. Mr. Wood, however, has shown his great interest in the occasion by using his influence to secure the services of Mr. Frank Donahoe, formerly organist at the Boston Cathedral and well known for his ability as a musician.

The organ concert, next Monday evening, at the Universalist church, will be an excellent one. Sam Walter Foss, the author and reader, is an entertainment in himself. The Appleton Quartette is spoken of as the "best ladies" quartette around New England, and the ability of Mr. Donahoe as organist is well known. Tickets 50 cents, -at J. O. Holt's, O. W. Whittemore or telephone 479-4.

The Universalist Sunday school held its mid-year party for the older members in the vestry, Wednesday evening. Mr. Frank N. Bott began the evening's entertainment with graphophone selections, and gave numbers at different times during the evening. Mr. Baker, of Cambridge, gave an hour's entertainment with feats of magic and sleight of hand. And then all present were served with ice cream and cake.

At the annual meeting of Ida F. Butler Rebekah lodge, last Monday evening, the following officers were elected: Mrs. Lennie M. Chapman, Noble Grand; Mrs. Rose E. Earle, Vice-grand; Mrs. Sarah Whittier, rec. sec.; Miss Alice Whittier, fin. sec.; Mrs. Annie M. Needham, treas. Degrees were conferred on a class of candidates. The officers will be installed Monday evening, Jan. 18.

The speaker at Arlington Boat Club, on next Tuesday evening, Hon. Frank Plumley, is described to us as having a pleasing personality and a public speaker of unusual ability. Having served by appointment of Pres. Roosevelt on an important service in Venezuela, and at the same time had charge of the interests of France, he is equipped with a fund of information that should interest every one. Friends of club members are most cordially invited.

Miss Case, who gave readings at the New Year reception of the Universalist society, held at the residence of Mrs. Farmer, greatly delighted those present with her recitations and character studies. Her personality is quite unusual and this fact was a captivating feature of her dramatic talents. Miss Case's home is at Southold on Long Island, N. Y., but she is spending the winter at Dean Academy, at Franklin, Mass.

The annual meeting of the Universalist Sunday school was held in the vestry of the church, Monday evening. Annual reports of officers and committees were read and accepted and plans made for the new year. The following officers were elected: -

Supt., Mr. E. W. Goodwin; 1st Asst. Supt., Mr. J. O. Holt; 2nd Asst. Supt., Miss Amy Winn; 3rd Asst. Supt., Mr. Forbes Robertson; Sec'y, Miss Alice Schurz; Asst. Sec'y, Miss Florence Cobb; Treas., Mr. F. A. Hortscher; Pianist, Miss Cairn Higgins; Librarians, Mr. Horatio Lamson, Mr. Durant Currier.

The monthly meeting of the Woman's Alliance will be held in the parlor of the Unitarian church, next Monday afternoon, Jan. 14th, at three o'clock. No little personal interest is felt in the meeting, because one of our well-known residents will read a paper on "The painting and sculpture of Egypt." Mrs. E. C. Turner has prepared and will present this paper. She has travelled extensively and is well qualified in every way to write an interesting as well as instructive paper.

Preparations are well in hand for a more usually enjoyable occasion in connection with the installation of the recently elected officers of Francis Gould Post 36. It will take place on Friday evening, January 14, in Grand Army Hall. Comrade Wm. M. Olin, secretary of State, will be the installing officer, assisted by Past-Commander John E. Gilman and several other Past-Department Commanders. There are to be speeches and also songs by those famous singers known as "Billy Olin's Gang."

The Physical Culture class met Wednesday morning at ten o'clock in the Auditorium. The class has as its instructor Mrs. Mary Sherman, who has for several seasons conducted a large and enthusiastic class at Cambridge, in connection with the Cambridge club. The class here is made up of members of the Arlington Woman's Club, but is not restricted to club members. It meets every Wednesday morning and the ladies who have availed themselves of the advantages of such a class are enthusiastic over the benefit derived by the systematic practice. The class is still open to any new members who may care to join.

The Universalist Men's club held a meeting in the vestry, Tuesday evening. An oyster stew supper was served at 6:45 o'clock, under the direction of the entertainment committee. After this some items of business were transacted and then the president, Rev. C. A. Knickerbocker, introduced Mr. Frank W. Hodgdon, of this town, who gave his illustrated lecture on the work of the "Harbor and Land Commission." Mr. Hodgdon began by showing a map of the territory on which the work is being done, pointing out the places of activity and then, with many clear views and with effective words, gave his audience an insight into the extensive work that is being done by the commission in different parts of the state.

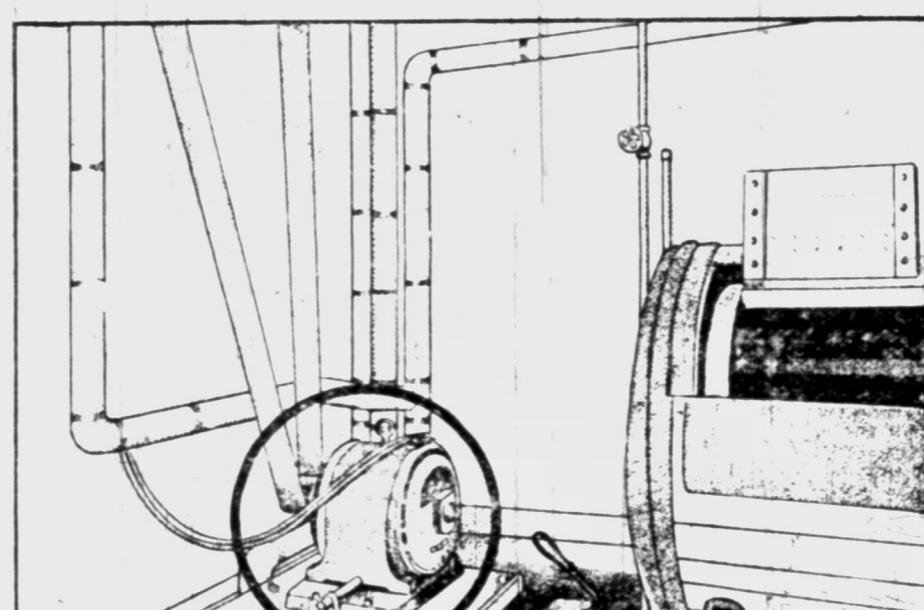
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# The Puzzler

## No. 350.—Novel Acrostic.

All of the words described contain the same number of letters. When rightly guessed and written one below another the initials will spell the name of a popular novelist, and another row of letters will spell one of his books.

Crosswords—1. A native of Cyprus. 2. A small but very useful article used by women. 3. To attribute. 4. Parched Indian corn pounded up and mixed with sugar. 5. Not restrained by law. 6. A building. 7. To shut up apart from others. 8. A race of Indians for which two states have been named. 9. To charge a public officer with misbehavior in office. 10. To mortify. 11. Leather prepared from the skin of young or small cattle. 12. One who ejects or dispossesses. 13. A wind from the north. 14. A meeting of court for transacting business.—St. Nicholas.

## No. 351.—Terminal Deletion.

1. Behead the first name of a president and leave what he may do. 2. Behead to strike and leave the widow's offering; curtall and leave what keeps Johnny's hand warm in winter. 3. Behead a fruit and leave a chain of mountains; curtall and leave what the bell did just before dinner. 4. Behead a deelvity and leave an easy galt; curtall and leave to prune a tree. 5. Behead a rock and leave a musical sound; curtall and leave a heavy weight.

## No. 352.—Charade.

The sun rose bright that summer morn,  
And cloudless was the sky.  
"This is just the day for making hay!"  
This was the joyful cry.

So on the wagons with one accord  
We climbed with merry glee.  
No one FIRST ever known a child  
More fond of fun than we.

All day we toiled the fragrant clover—  
It seemed not work, but play—  
On LAST big loads rode to the barn  
And stored the new mown hay.

At last we heard that welcome sound—  
The clanging supper bell  
So, throwing everything aside,  
We TOTALLED to the house pell-mell.

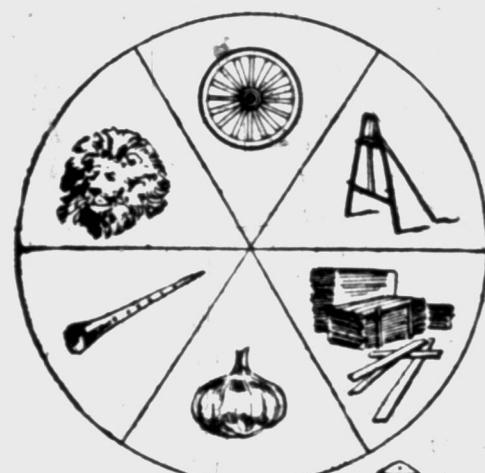
## No. 353.—Additions.

1. Add some liquor to a spirit and make to fix on a slate.  
2. Add something belonging to animals to the animals themselves and make a kind of lantern.  
3. Add sharp to a girl's name and make a Chinese city.  
4. Add an ora to a vegetable and make a boy servant.  
5. Add a boy's name to a cave and make a foreign country.  
6. Add anger to a serpent and make to desire something great.

## No. 354.—Vowel Changes.

1. The ragged child carried a \*\*\* into which she put what she managed to steal or \*\*\*; but, as it was rather \*\*\* for her to carry, she sank into a \*\*\* that she undertook to cross and might be sticking there yet, like a \*\*\* in molasses. (2) had it not been for a boy who happened to \*\*\* a little behind the rest on his way from school, who by putting one \*\*\* into the mud and one upon a prostrate \*\*\* pulled her out and helped her to \*\*\* her load home.

## No. 355.—Hidden Author.



Guess the name of each object in the above illustration. The initial letters when properly placed will spell the name of an author.

## A Puzzle.

Leonard had been looking thoughtfully at the mosquito bite on his plump wrist for some time, and at last he looked up and said in a puzzled tone, "Mother, where do the mosquitoes get the lumps they put on you from?"

## Key to the Puzzler.

No. 344.—Palindromic Terminal Deletion: Sword in rows; worn in row.

No. 345.—Numerical Enigma: Cat, cater, pillar, caterpillar, cat, caterpillar, ill—caterpillar.

No. 346.—Pyramid Puzzle.



The accompanying diagram shows how King Ptolemy constructed his pyramid from the four pieces.

No. 347.—Double Acrostic.

## BONNET

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No. 348.—Decapitations: Acorn, corn; brook, rock; drake, rake; flute, pipe; plane, lane; wheel, heel; spine, pine; trout, trout; prune, rune.

No. 349.—Accidental: Holdings: Esther, Olive, Theresa, Ada, Grace, Nora, Hester, Ernesta.

## HUMOR OF THE HOUR

### The Considerate Insects.

"I hope and trust, muh po' undone brudder," severely said good old Parson Baxter, addressing a bibulously inclined member of his flock, "dat de 'stressin' eppersode of night befo' last will be a lesson to yo'!"

"Yassah," replied the erring one, wagging his head convincingly, "I sholy reggins 'twill. I been uh packin' home too many drams now and ag'in yuh of late, as muh wife—fine a lady as dar is in the world—has been pl'ntedly tellin' me. But on de monumental 'casoon' yo' defers to I gits all lit up and draped down by de wayside and slept all night on an ant hill, and de pauly varmints mighty nigh ett me up. Blame near skinned me alive, sah, dem ants did, but day didn't talk ub whilst day was doin' it. Nussah, dey never said a word 'bout de awful contamination of muh heeneyus conduct and all dis and dat de tudder-dess ett me up in peace and quiet. And after dis, if I keeps muh bladda, whenever I gits too much o' dat 'ar balloon juice in muh puossionality I's gwine to lay out on an ant hill all night preference to goin' home to muh fam'bly. By de blessin' o' de Lawd, ants don't talk!"—Tom P. Morgan in Puck.

### Credit Where Credit Is Due.

"I never search my husband's poekets."

"Dear me! Is your faith in him as strong as all that?"

"No, I haven't the least bit of faith in him, but I give him credit for being too intelligent to carry home anything he doesn't want me to see."—Chicago Record-Herald.

### Both Sides.

"I suppose," remarked the inquisitive man, "a good many of your tenants find it cheaper to move than to pay rent."

"Perhaps," replied the real estate agent, "and we often find it cheaper to keep them moving than make the repairs they ask for."—Philadelphia Press.

### Turn About.



## Cupid In the Blizzard.

By CECILY ALLEN

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The Silver-Hess wedding, the absent-mindedness of Mrs. Graves and the unprecedented November blizzard worked together for the good of Roland Baxter.

The Silver-Hess wedding was scheduled for Denver. The absent-minded Mrs. Graves and the relentless blizzard met in Chicago.

Polly Hess had recently moved to Chicago, and when her brother's fiancée wrote that the wedding would occur directly before Thanksgiving day and would she please have a ducky frock of leaf green chiffon cloth to wear as maid of honor Polly instantly decided that Chicago was a very big city and one in which a new dressmaker must be sought with discretion.

Upon her musings entered Mrs. Graves, whose faculty for switching from one topic of conversation to another with lightning rapidity was as amusing to her friends as it was bewildering to new acquaintances. Said Mrs. Graves:

"Of course I can help you out. My friend, Mrs. Baxter—you never did see such clothes. By the way, didn't Mrs. Daly look like a tramp at the club meeting Thursday? Now, Mrs. Baxter, my dear—did you ever hear worse violin music than we had on that program? Her address—oh, yes—672 Boulevard. 'Oh, but I must. Mother will worry whatever shall I do?"

Polly's cheeks were pale now, and her dimples had faded.

"Do, my dear? Why, we will telephone your mother before the wires are down," interrupted Mrs. Baxter.

"I trust your grocer and butcher beat the blizzard, and if you will be my guest until the storm is over!"

Impulsive Polly sprang forward and clasped the hand of her hostess.

"You are so splendid. I wish I could say what I feel!"—And then, catching the light of a pair of hazel eyes watching her above the telephone book, she said "OH!" very suddenly and turned her face the other way.

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An hour later Roland Baxter, looking into the wonderful violet eyes beneath those same curling lashes, immediately decided that eyes lashes and the owner thereof had dropped straight from heaven.

The Baxter maid was standing in the private hallway of the Baxter apartment explaining to Polly Hess that Mrs. Baxter was not yet up. Would Miss Hess call later in the day? Mrs. Baxter expected to be home all afternoon.

And at this instant the eldest son of the house of Baxter added earnestly: "You'll surely find her here about 4. Do come back. She would be sorry to miss you."

Then by exerting all his will power he managed to stand perfectly still and watch the violet eyed angel take her departure.

Polly Hess walked through the sharp November air, feeling oddly bewildered.

"It must have been the place, and her name is Baxter, but I'm afraid her prices are way beyond me. She must be dreadfully smart, and I suppose she has to go out late to theaters and things to see the styles, but she ought to be up by 10 o'clock. Maybe she has a good forewoman. Anyhow, I am coming back. Dear me, it must be lovely to be able to buy frocks without figuring on the rent the dressmaker makes you help to pay."

At 3:50 Roland Baxter strolled into his mother's drawing room. The tea things were arranged on convenient table, but the afternoon lowered, and guests would probably be few. Mrs. Baxter closed her magazine.

"Anything wrong at the office, Roland?" she inquired.

"No. Just thought I'd knock off. It's a hideous afternoon downtown, and pretty women around a tea table can make you forget the worst weather."

His astute mother was for once nonplussed. Roland a willing sacrifice on the altar of her afternoon tea table. And then the maid announced Miss Hess.

"Oh, dear!" mourned Mrs. Baxter as she laid down her magazine. "I wonder what charity she represents."

Polly Hess paused, bewildered, in the doorway. Then, with a laugh tinged with dismay and just a little hysteria, she cried:

"Oh, now I know there is something wrong. Please, please forgive me. I've made such a dreadful mistake."

Mrs. Baxter stood midway between her chair and her flushed guest.

"Perhaps if you would explain?"

"Yes, do let me explain. I was looking for a dressmaker, and Mrs. Graves!"

"Mrs. Graves! Do not say another word. I can say it for you. Mrs. Graves admired a new frock I was showing her yesterday. She asked me for the address of my dressmaker. You asked her about a dressmaker, and she gave you my address when she thought she was giving you the dressmaker's. That's just like her."

The two women laughed in concert and then suddenly paused. Both had caught the rumble of masculine laughter and realized that Roland had risen and was standing, altogether expectant in attitude and expression.

"My son, Miss—Do tell me your name and stop for a cup of tea," murmured Mrs. Baxter, eager to relieve the girl's embarrassment. "Miss Hess? My son, Roland, light the alcohol stove and ring for some of that strawberry jam you love."

Mrs. Baxter meant only to undo the mischief wrought by her volatile and inaccurate friend, but in a few minutes she was sincerely interested in her charming if unexpected guest.

They had mutual friends in Denver, and Polly's great-grandfather and Mrs. Baxter's great-uncle had fought in the same regiment during the war of 1812.

So it happened that Roland Baxter was just wondering whether the ambrosia of the gods and strawberry

jam sandwiches were interchangeable terms when somewhere far off a soft chime struck five times.

With the exquisite flush which was one of her best points Polly sprang to her feet.

"You've been so perfectly charming, Mrs. Baxter, that I've lost all track of time, and now it must be quite dark."

Mrs. Baxter was bending her head in listening attitude.

"Roland, that sounds like sleet. It must be storming."

Young Baxter hastened to the window and uttered an exclamation of dismay.

"The worst ever. You can't think of going out in it, Miss Hess."

"Oh, but I must! Please telephone for a cab. Mother will be so anxious."

Baxter rang up the nearest cab station.

"What's that? You wouldn't send a horse out in this storm? Are you running an animal society or a transportation line?"

Brief silence, then a prolonged whistle, and the receiver was hung up with decision.

"No venturing out for you, Miss Hess," he remarked, with unconcealed satisfaction. "It's a blizzard, the sort we usually get in February, and it's been tying up the town while we've been drinking tea."

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"Please, please, not now, not here. It is your house, you see, and I'd have to be polite."

"Don't you want to be polite?" urged Roland Baxter significantly.

"I don't know. Oh, you are not playing fair. It's so soon!"

"Nothing of the sort," interrupted Roland recklessly. "It happened at 10 o'clock this morning. I remember the chimes ringing just as I looked into your eyes for the first time."

And again Polly Hess said "OH!" which, oddly enough, seemed to satisfy her companion, for he dropped the heavy curtains, blotting out all sight of the raging elements, and drew her back into the circle of crimson shaded lamplight.

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Cannibal Cows.

"Now, children," said the pretty teacher, "I want you all to write a composition on the cow. You know what a cow is. You know that a cow gives us all the milk we drink. Now, write me something original about the cow as you know her, nothing commonplace." It would take several pages to print the results, but there is room for at least one composition by a girl of seven:

"A cow is a quadruped having four legs and four feet. She gives milk and sometimes has horns, but not always. The cow's baby is called a calf and sometimes bossy. When a cow talks she lows. A cow with horns can hook but a cow without horns is helpless. A cow is a carnivorous animal when she has a chance, but she ordinarily eats grass, if there is any. A cow is a cannibal if you let her alone, for she will eat her own kind."

The horrified teacher exclaimed: "Sally May, where on earth did you get the idea, the ridiculous idea, that a cow is carnivorous and a cannibal? You meant to say that a cow is herbivorous or granivorous."



## ARLINGTON HEIGHTS LOCALS.

Ethel Hill, the grand-daughter of Mrs. A. F. Hill of Lowell street, is recovering from a severe case of diphtheria.

Mrs. A. F. Reimer and little daughter returned on Thursday from a three weeks' visit with her parents at East Bangor, Penn.

The communion service at Park Avenue church will occur next Sabbath, in connection with the morning service. New members will be received at that time.

Rev. A. F. Quimby, the father of Mr. C. M. Quimby of Hillside avenue, is recovering but slowly from pneumonia, with which he has been suffering for several weeks.

There will be a supper served at 6:30 o'clock, at Park Avenue church, on next Tuesday, in connection with the annual meeting of the church. Members of the church and contributing members of the congregation will be welcome.

Mrs. Fred Curry gave the members of her afternoon dancing class the privilege of entertaining one guest each at a party given on New Year's day in Crescent Hall. It made a company of seventy misses and masters, who danced to the piano playing by Miss Alice Kendall, from four to six o'clock. One of the features was a "favor German," where several different favors were given by the teacher, which made a pretty New Year's gift and an appropriate souvenir of the party. Several of the newest dances have been taught in this first quarter and the scholars showed by their dancing that most of them had been apt pupils. Madames Harold Ring and H. H. Stinson matronized the party, the former in a gray silk muslin over pink silk, and the latter in yellow taffeta. The ushers were Masters Walter Ennis, Warren Illey, Amelio Chaves, Haskel, and Malcolm Reed. Of course there were many parents present to watch and admire the happy group. The second quarter of Mrs. Curry's class begins Jan. 22d and will conclude with a fancy dress party.

A somewhat unusual, but nevertheless most enjoyable, feature was introduced at the Tennis Club's New Year party on last week Friday evening. During intermissions, Mr. Reimer, a violinist, gave a delightful rendering of several well-known selections, accompanied at the piano by a young lady whose name we have been unable to ascertain. She was in perfect sympathy with the soloist and was one of the best accompanists we have ever listened to. A Miss Teitgen gave soprano selections and responded to hearty encores. The hall never looked prettier than on this occasion, and much credit is due to Mrs. Oscar Schneiter and Miss Alice Kendall, who had this feature in charge. The following is a list of those present, as far as we were able to ascertain, as many were strangers to the reporter:

Mrs. Israel F. Hunt and two daughters, Misses Katharine and Eloise; Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Cutting and daughter Marjory; Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Schneiter, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bell, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Curry, Dr. Barbara and Dr. Arthur Ring, Mr. and Mrs. Truman Quimby, Mr. and Mrs. Norval Bacon and Mr. Alfred Bacon; Mr. and Mrs. John Alley, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Currier, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Dix, Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Stinson, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Drouet, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Fobes, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Miller Lloyd, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Roberts, Mrs. George Lloyd, Mrs. C. T. Parsons, Mrs. Barbara Ring, Mrs. Farrington, Misses Shirley Robinson, Mayzie Simpson, Edith and Alice Kendall, Margaret Champney, Levin Bunting, Helen Taylor, Frances Wilson, Elizabeth Rich, Miss Burdett; Misses A. B. Roaf, H. H. Kendall, John Dobson, Clarence Gale, of Boston; Misses Frank Tyler, Herbert Converse, George Dwellley, Albert Curry, Clarence G. Parsons, Winfield Peeler.

The matrons received in handsome toilettes. Mrs. Parsons was in gray taffeta silk, Mrs. Quimby in white lace, and Mrs. Alley in white embroidered batiste.

"God's in His heaven, All's right with the world."

Miss Gertrude Pierce's class of boys sang with Mrs. Austin's class of girls and it proved a very pleasant New Year's service.

The special union services held in the three churches of this section during the past week, have been largely attended, much to the gratification of the three ministers arranging the services. The attendance has been about an even proportion of representatives from each denomination. The services opened on last Sabbath evening at the Baptist church, which was filled in every part. The sermon was by Rev. A. F. Reimer, of the Methodist Episcopal church. On Monday and Tuesday evenings the services were in the same church. Monday the sermon was by Rev. J. G. Taylor, of the Congregational church, and on Tuesday by Rev. Ira Baird, of the Baptist church. Monday evening the Boys' Brigade attended in uniform. Wednesday and Thursday evening meetings were held in the Methodist church. Rev. Mr. Taylor preached the former evening and Rev. Mr. Baird

the latter. This (Friday) evening the service will be held at the Park Avenue Congregational church and the sermon will be by Rev. Mr. Reimer. At each of these services there have been after meetings, which have been arranged for those who had been especially drawn toward the Christian life through the inspiration of the meetings. The services will close with a rally day on Sunday. There will be a special service for men at 3:30, in the Methodist church, where there will be special music. The sermon will be by Rev. Mr. Reimer. In the evening the service will be at Park Avenue church, with sermon by Rev. Mr. Baird. The after service will be conducted by Rev. Mr. Taylor.

We have heard that Mrs. Ingleton Schenck has been ill at her home in Bangor, Me. Also, that Junior Schenck has been in the hospital in Bangor, where he has been operated on for appendicitis.

The Sunshine Club met Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. Laurence Peirce, of Central street. The next meeting will be with Mrs. D. E. Perley, of 177 Park avenue. Several of the members have received letters from Mrs. T. A. Jernegan, the president, who, with her husband, is spending the winter at Berkley, Cal., with their daughter, Mrs. Brown. They report all members of the family well and enjoying the winter together.

Mr. James Phillips is progressing rapidly on the new house for Mr. Parsons, on Pleasant street. We are told it has been raised and boarded in, and the weather has been fine for their work.

There are two sides to the shield always. One side the heart-rending picture of destruction and death in Italy; the other, the generosity and noble giving of so many so remote from the calamity.

Bailey Bros. did a good job in painting the Lockwood house, which is a great improvement, as is also Mrs. William Locke's home, on Mass. avenue. The past year has seen many estates improved by painting.

We wish to remind those in our midst, or elsewhere, who have not purchased tickets for the remaining four entertainments under the auspices of the Parish Social club, that they are anxious to sell more and above expenses, hope to aid the church, and uplift the community. The January one will be on Thursday evening, Jan. 21. It is an illustrated lecture on "Alaska of to-day," by Frederick M. Brooks, member of National Geological Society, Washington, and a member of Twentieth Century Club.

Last Sunday evening Follen Guild had a vesper service, with splendid singing. The Rev. Mr. MacDonald spoke on these words,—"Not to be ministered unto, but to minister," stating that these words were not spoken to any church or in relation to any organized body. "The church

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## WASHINGTON LETTER

[Special Correspondence.]

Early in the new year the senate probably will decide where it will place marble busts of two of the vice presidents, Roosevelt and Fairbanks. Mr. Roosevelt's career in the senate was extremely brief, and, although it ended about seven years ago, up to recent date no bust of him had been made.

Mr. Roosevelt selected James Frazier, young artist of New York, highly recommended by Saint Gaudens as one of the most promising sculptors of the day, and Mr. Frazier has been at work for some time in carrying out his commission. It is said that this bust is near completion and will be delivered before March 4.

## Busts of Vice Presidents.

Sixteen years ago the senate adopted a resolution giving continuing power to its committee on the library, of which Senator Wetmore of Rhode Island is chairman, to have busts made of vice presidents. This resolution merely authorized the placing of such busts in the senate wing of the capitol, and they may be put in any of the niches in the gallery of the senate chamber or in other parts of the senate wing. There is no restriction against the removal of busts that now occupy most important places within the chamber itself to make way for new ones. By the removal of one of these marble effigies of a president of the senate during the early days of the nation a place was made for the late Vice President Hobart within the senate chamber.

Mr. Fairbanks' bust is being made by Franklin Simmons, an American artist residing in Rome, who has executed many designs for congress and whose work stands in many places about the capitol and throughout Washington. It is likely that Mr. Fairbanks' bust will be placed in the vice president's room until the expiration of his term of office.

## Status of Naval Hero.

At a meeting of the commission charged with the erection of a statue of John Paul Jones in this city held at the war department recently it was decided to have the statue made by Charles H. Niehaus of New York. Congress appropriated \$50,000 for this statue. The commission consists of Secretary Wright, Secretary Newberry, Senator Penrose of Pennsylvania and Representative McCall of Massachusetts.

It is as yet undecided whether the Jones statue shall be erected near the naval observatory in Massachusetts avenue, on New York avenue in front of the new Masonic temple or on the north side of Franklin park, midway between Thirteenth and Fourteenth streets.

Mr. Niehaus was born in Cincinnati fifty-three years ago and began life as an apprentice to a marble cutter. He studied art in the McMicken School of Design and modeled busts of Disraeli, among others—in Germany, France and England from 1877 to 1881. He has won many medals and prizes since that time. His works ornament public buildings and parks in Cincinnati, Washington, Hartford, Muskegon, Mich., Buffalo and Memphis. The pediment of the appellate courthouse in New York city was designed by him.

## Religion and Politics Mixed.

The man who wrote in the heat of the campaign, "Behold the candidate and listen unto his lamentations," should hear Representative James A. Tawney of Minnesota recount the trials and tribulations he encountered in trying to retain his seat in congress.

"There was no end of roarbacks springing up me," said Mr. Tawney, "but one of the funniest came along at the close of the campaign. One night I went home late from a political meeting dead tired out to find my wife waiting for me."

"What do you think they are saying about you now, Jim?" she asked me.

"Give it up," I replied.

"Well, our pastor and one of the leading members of our church were just here to ask me if there was any truth in the report that you were going to have your wife and daughter change their church for political reasons."

"If they have got to the point where they are mixing up my wife's religion and my politics," I replied, "there is no telling what will come next."

## Naval Vessel Condemned.

The converted yacht *Inca* has been condemned for naval purposes and ordered sold. She is a wooden schooner of 120 tons displacement and was built by George Lawler & Son at Boston in 1898. At the outbreak of the Spanish war she was purchased by the government and converted into a cruiser with a light battery.

## Gossip of the Capitol.

"I must still look pretty green," remarked Senator Cummins of Iowa to Senator Eliot of California as they strolled, arm in arm, down the capitol corridor the other day. "I've been here several weeks now and am beginning to find my way around a little."

"It's plain, however, that I haven't got over that back country look. This morning as I came through the door a guide walked right up to me and said with an air that meant 'You're just the man I've been looking for.'

"You can't see the capitol properly, sir, without a guide. Don't you want me to take you around?"

"I told him I would be glad to accept his offer if I only had the time, but I was in a hurry to get in the chamber because I wanted to introduce a couple of bills and wasn't just certain how it should be done."

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MESSAGE TO  
LEGISLATURE

Governor Draper Touches on  
Improvement in Business

## SO-CALLED CONTINGENT DEBT

Names of Two Classes of It Should Be  
Corrected—Education and Highways  
Receive Attention—Changes in  
Automobile Legislation—Old-Age  
Pension a National Proposition—  
Conservation of Forests—Treatment of  
of Commissions

Boston, Jan. 7.—In his message to the legislature today Governor Draper says:

During the last year business conditions in the Commonwealth have not been good. Many people have been out of employment, and those who were employed have in many instances been obliged to work short time, because of the limited demand for the articles produced in our large manufacturing establishments.

These conditions have obtained all over the United States, and in other nations as well.

At the present time there is a marked improvement in business, many more people are being employed, and, while there is nothing in the way of a business boom, conditions are distinctly better, and the outlook is brighter than it has been during the last year.

## Financial Condition.

The net direct debt, so called, of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, on the 1st of December, 1908, was \$17,090,372.

In this direct debt is included \$2,020,826 of the armory loan, transferred during the past year from the so-called contingent

of the Legislature.

We are one of a very few States in the Union who have annual elections and sessions of the Legislature, and the Legislature is in session for substantially six months out of every twelve.

Under these conditions, necessary changes in our laws may be considered and acted on without the appointment of a recess committee, which are of necessity expensive, and, as we have annual elections and annual sessions of the Legislature, are unnecessary.

## Education.

Massachusetts has always maintained a high reputation for the quality of education that has been furnished by her public and private educational institutions.

In the last year there was contributed by the people of the State, for all school purposes, \$18,513,429.

During the same time, outside of the money that has been raised directly by the cities and towns of the State for education, there has been expended by the Commonwealth, directly, more than \$1,150,000 for State aid to the normal schools, pay for superintendents in small towns, textile schools, Nautical Training School, teaching the deaf and blind, industrial education, State fund to small towns, etc.

The great question that is interesting the people today, in the way of general education, seems to be that which is termed "industrial education."

There does not seem to be a general agreement as to just what this term means. Many people seem to think that "industrial education" consists of instruction in manual training, which can be given, to a certain extent, in the grammar and high schools of the State; but to my mind this is incorrect.

"Industrial education" means much more than incidental instruction in so-called manual training, and I do not believe that it can be properly furnished except in special schools, devoted to that and to no other purpose.

I do believe that our method of education in grammar and high schools can be shaped in such a way that pupils desiring an "industrial education" may begin in an industrial school better prepared than they now are, but I do not believe that the present organization of public schools can furnish "industrial education" to their pupils.

Our education now tends very much more to academic acquirement than to industrial training; and, while opportunity should be furnished to the few pupils in our public schools who desire to prepare for college training, changes should be made in their teaching, so that great numbers of the scholars who wish industrial education should have an opportunity to study with that end in view, rather than be obliged to the State by the people of the metropolitan district.

The Commonwealth, however, is directly responsible for its payment, and has issued its own direct obligations for the money obtained.

The so-called contingent debt for the metropolitan water works, the metropolitan sewers, and for the construction of metropolitan parks, etc.

I believe better and more correct names for these two classes of debt would be "general debt" and "metropolitan debt."

Of this metropolitan debt, \$40,500,000 has been incurred for the water supply, and ought not to be a burden on the community getting its benefits, as the water rates should more than pay all the expenses, interest, maintenance and sinking funds.

The sewer debt is of course necessary burden upon the community which needs the sewers for a proper system to aid in the preservation of health.

The money expended for the metropolitan parks may have been a wise expenditure, but it is a very heavy burden.

State Tax.

The State tax for the year 1908 was \$5,500,000. This direct State tax was the largest for a great many years, and, while it was made large to pay for necessary expenditures, I believe that appropriations should, for the coming year, be so made that a much smaller direct State tax should be required this year than last, and our best efforts should be used to bring about this result.

I conceive it my duty to urge on you at this time the importance of economy in all expenditures, making no appropriations where not absolutely needed, and exercising a most careful supervision of all expenses, so that our direct State tax, which bears heavily upon all the people, may be reduced as much as possible.

It goes without saying that where it is necessary to appropriate money for unavoidable enlargements or changes in our institutions for the care of the insane, sick, criminal and unfortunate, such appropriations should be made, and no public-spirited citizen, I am sure, will object to a proper tax for such a purpose.

But I do think that no appropriations which are not absolutely needed for the proper care of the people should be made in the present financial condition of the Commonwealth.

## Taxation.

In the last few years different Governors have urged various methods of increasing the revenues of the State. Commissions and legislative committees have been appointed to bring in recommendations for new laws which should effect this result.

While these reports have been made by very able men, both on the commissions and legislative committees, the only recent recommendation on taxation of those made by them or by Governors, which has been enacted into law, has been the law relating to the taxation of direct inheritances.

The Legislature has shown, by its action in raising by a direct tax whatever money was needed in addition to our regular revenue for paying the running expenses of the State, that that method was satisfactory to it.

The direct State tax for the payment of the running expenses of the Commonwealth has one great virtue. In that it calls to the attention of the people of every town and city the amount of money appropriated by the Legislature for State expenditures.

Under these circumstances, and realizing the fact that many suggestions and recommendations that have been made by Governors for increasing the State's revenue have not been adopted by the Legislature, I have at this time no suggestions to make for changing the existing method of taxation.

## Recess Committee.

Many able committees have been appointed in the past, to sit when the Legislature is not in session, to consider various matters and make recommendations to the Legislature for new laws.

In most cases, in recent years important recommendations made by these committees have not been enacted into law.

The committees have been made up of conscientious men, who have given much thought to the subjects which they were appointed to consider; their reports have not brought about many important changes in legislation.

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Taking the appropriations which have been made for repairs from the beginning of the construction of the State highways, the average amount appropriated by the Legislature for maintenance has been considerably less than \$100 per mile per year.

In the last four or five years a very important new element has had to be considered in the repair of the State roads.

Since the great increase in the number of automobiles which are used by the citizens of the Commonwealth, I believe that their number will increase, and while this may be a good thing in many directions, they certainly make it much harder to keep the roads in condition, and therefore the annual amount to be expended for keeping the roads good must be materially increased.

The Highway Commission estimates that it will require at least \$300 per mile per year to maintain the State highways in proper repair; and you will therefore need to take this into consideration in your treatment of this question.

There can be no doubt of the wisdom of maintaining in good condition the splendid property which we have, rather than increasing our mileage rapidly by borrowing money for new construction, and allowing the roads we already have to run down because of insufficient expenditures.

The park roads in the State are a comparatively small amount in mileage, but, because of enormous automobile traffic over them, the expense for re-surfacing and repairs is many times per mile what it is on the State highways.

There is no better illustration of the great damage done to highways of this character by high-powered and swift-running automobiles than is shown by the great amount of money required to keep these park roads in repair. Their condition shows to every observer the destructive effect of very extensive use of automobiles.

It seems to me obvious that a change ought to be made in the registration fee for automobiles, and that a graded fee should be established, by means of which the people using machines which destroy the roads would be compelled to pay to the Commonwealth a proper amount for repairs.

I therefore believe and urge that legislation should be enacted which would require the owners of high-powered,

which will prevent recklessness and dangerous operation of such vehicles. Where any particular person is convicted, the penalty should be severe; and if glaring cases of recklessness are found, the guilty operator should be prohibited from further opportunity for such action.

I would further suggest that some law might be passed which would make it a criminal offence to use an automobile without the owner's permission.

#### Harbors and Public Lands.

I believe that the appropriations for improvements in our harbors in the recent past have not been made in a proper and systematic way.

Many so-called improvements have been made that were not necessary; others have been started with an insufficient appropriation to carry them on, so that contracts could not be made to the best advantage; and in some instances appropriations have been made that were wasteful.

I suggest for your consideration that it would be wiser to treat this matter as the construction of highways is treated: that a general appropriation, of an amount sufficient to cover all such work, be annually made by the Legislature; and that the money so appropriated should be expended on such projects as meet with the approval of the Harbor and Land Commission.

In this way the sum appropriated could be kept within reasonable limits; no supposed improvement would be started without the approval of the responsible Board which has these matters in charge for the Commonwealth; and better results would be obtained for all the people.

In this connection it would be wise to pass a general law authorizing cities and towns, by a two-thirds vote, to appropriate money to perform work and assume the risk of land damages for harbor and water improvements of this kind, in the same general form as the special acts passed by the Legislature for Plymouth harbor, the Wellfleet act for the dike and dunes, and the Falmouth act for Dennis Pond.

This would provide a good test of local public interest in proposed improvements, and would, if part of the cost were borne by the town, show the real interest of the community in such improvement. There would undoubtedly be cases where the town could not afford to pay anything, while the improvement might be important. In other cases the town might be willing to pay a part, and the State could pay the rest, if it were really an improvement.

They further say that they will not need any further appropriation before their final report.

Under these circumstances, it would be wise to have their time extended for one year, so that we may have the benefit of their investigations shown in a full report.

In this connection, however, I would suggest for your consideration whether, if any general old-age pension scheme were ever to be enacted, it would not be wise to have this a national proposition, rather than something to be done by an individual State. We are all citizens of one country, and if our State should take up this matter for consideration, and some States do nothing, and others adopt one scheme and still others a different one, it would produce a situation which, to my mind, would not be practical or wise.

#### Forestry.

This would provide a good test of local public interest in proposed improvements, and would, if part of the cost were borne by the town, show the real interest of the community in such improvement.

For these reasons they think it necessary to provide an additional engine at the existing fire pumping station for the high-service system. They estimate this will cost \$15,000.

This new pump and pump are needed, not because of the increased population, but because the per capita consumption of water in the district has increased to a point beyond the original estimates.

When the original system was constructed, it was thought that eventually the use of water might amount to an average of 100 gallons per day per person. The daily per capita consumption is now reached 100 gallons in the metropolitan district, and in Boston the daily average per capita consumption for the year 1906 was 150 gallons.

This suggests that there may be a great and unnecessary waste of water, the result of which will be, if it is not checked, an enormous waste in expense to the metropolitan district and the city of Boston to new tanks, mains and pumps.

The Legislature in 1907 passed an act authorizing the pumping of water, which was installed after June 1, 1908, in cities and towns which are supplied from the metropolitan works, to be equipped with water meters, and also requiring them to annually equip 50 per cent of the water services not metered on Dec. 31, 1907.

It is the opinion of the department, compiled with the recommendations of the act, except the rate of Boston, which consumes about 78 per cent of the total quantity supplied. The water commissioner of Boston states that practically nothing has been done under the provisions of the act of 1907 in carrying out the pumping meters, because the department had no funds with which to proceed. This seems extremely short-sighted policy, because it is a well-known fact that where water is metered and paid for by the amount used, there is much less waste.

The city of Boston has not taken general measures for reducing the consumption of water by rigid inspection. This ought to be done, and the requirements of the act of 1907, in regard to meters, should be complied with.

It is probable that if these two matters were properly attended to, the consumption of water would be reduced 25 per cent, and if that were done, the estimated expenditure of \$15,000 for new water mains and pumping engines would not be immediately necessary.

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I desire to have it distinctly understood that in my statements here made I have nothing but praise for the commission which has conducted the Massachusetts Nautical Training School; but it seems to me that for the best interests of the Commonwealth it is unnecessary to have these two ships and two boards of administration.

There has always been a misunderstanding among the people in regard to what the Nautical Training School is, there having been a general impression that it was something in the way of a reformatory institution.

This is absolutely incorrect; it is simply what its name implies, a Nautical Training School which has done much good work, and has turned out men well trained to fill important positions in the mercantile marine service.

#### Old-Age Pensions.

I am informed by members of the commission who are investigating the question of old-age pensions that they will make a partial report this year, but that they will need another year to make the complete report required by the terms of the resolve under which they were appointed.

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The Legislature in 1907 passed an act authorizing the pumping of water, which was installed after June 1, 1908, in cities and towns which are supplied from the metropolitan works, to be equipped with water meters, and also requiring them to annually equip 50 per cent of the water services not metered on Dec. 31, 1907.

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I would further suggest that some law might be passed which would make it a criminal offence to use an automobile without the owner's permission.

Many so-called improvements have been made that were not necessary; others have been started with an insufficient appropriation to carry them on, so that contracts could not be made to the best advantage; and in some instances appropriations have been made that were wasteful.

I suggest for your consideration that it would be wiser to treat this matter as the construction of highways is treated: that a general appropriation, of an amount sufficient to cover all such work, be annually made by the Legislature; and that the money so appropriated should be expended on such projects as meet with the approval of the Harbor and Land Commission.

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I therefore recommend legislation which shall provide that the Metropolitan Park Commission shall take over the unfinished work of the Charles River Basin Commission not later than July 1, 1910, and that the commission shall provide that the entire commission shall have charge of the entire work when completed.

I believe, as suggested by the members of the Charles River Basin Commission, that they will be enabled to turn their work over to some proper authority at a much earlier date than July 1, 1910, and I therefore suggest that the act shall be so framed that this transfer can be made at an earlier date.

## ARLINGTON LOCAL NEWS.

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At the morning service at the First Parish (Unitarian) church, on Sunday, Jan. 10th, and also in the Sunday school at noon, collections will be taken in aid of the sufferers from the earthquakes on the island of Sicily. Rev. Frederic Gill, the minister, has sent out a special appeal through the medium of a post-card and his parishioners we know can be depended upon to give generously.

On January 11th, the Menotomy Canoe Club will hold a social party and dance at the club house on the shore of Spy Pond, foot of Avon place. The affair will be in charge of Mr. C. E. Ross and Mr. Bain. All are welcome to the affair. The dance held by the club at Arlington Auditorium was a grand success. The officers of the affair were B. J. Yirovec, F. W. Haven, John W. Bain, John A. Roden, H. A. Ericson, E. B. Wells and C. E. Ross.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. L. King, of Somerville, have this week taken up their residence in the new home just finished for their occupancy on Pleasant street, two doors above Gray street. The house is much roomier than the exterior would perhaps lead one to expect, and it is an attractive home in all respects. Mr. King, so we are informed, is the playing teller of the Cambridge Gas Light Co.

At the annual meeting of James Ray Cole Lodge, Knights of Pythias, Wednesday evening, in Odd Fellows' hall, the following were elected: Boyden Strong, C. C.; Harvey Bacon, V. C.; Dr. LeVerne Holmes, prelate; Maj. Bacon, M. W.; William White, M. A.; Arthur B. Moulton, K. of R. and S. E. E. Andrews, M. of F.; George H. Rice, M. of E.; R. W. Saunders, I. G., and John W. Bain, O. G.

Division No. 23, A. O. F. held its election Wednesday evening. James P. Daley was elected president. The other officers are: Daniel Barry, vice-president; Patrick Quinn, treas.; Daniel W. Granman, rec. sec.; Jeremiah Sexton, fin. sec.; John W. Harrington, James P. Daley, Daniel W. Granman, John Kelley, Patrick Hurley, Jeremiah Sexton, Patrick Quinn, directors; Patrick Gurney, sgt-at-arms; Patrick Geary, sentinel. The officers will be installed Jan. 19.

The death of Mr. Franklin M. Howe at his home in Kansas City, Mo., has called to mind of many old friends resident of Arlington, events of their boyhood, when Mr. Howe was a resident among them. He was a member of the class of 1868 of Arlington High school, and married Mary Lizzie Wyman, daughter of Mr. James Wyman, an old resident of this town, now a long time deceased. Mr. Howe was a member of the firm of VanBrunt & Howe, architects, and rose to considerable eminence in his profession. This firm was the one that designed the Soldiers' Monument at Arlington, erected at the head of Broadway and Massachusetts avenue.

It has been very happily proposed to repeat the delightful comedy of "The Sisterhood of Bridget," for the benefit of the sufferers from the earthquake in Sicily. Several of the churches of the town are to be represented by committees of ladies who will, in a sense, act as patrons of the presentation, to promote the sale of the tickets and make the financial receipts as large as possible. All the earnings are to be added to the town relief fund of which Mr. Easton is the treasurer. The performance is to be given in Town Hall, Friday evening of next week, Jan. 15th. Tickets 50 cents. They can be had of Miss E. W. Hodgdon, Miss Babson, Mrs. Frederick S. Mead, Miss A. W. Homer, Mrs. Eben Thacher, Mrs. Frederick B. Thompson; also at Whitemore's. The performance will be followed by a dance.

At a meeting Sunday evening last, the following schedule and regulations were drawn up for the Sunday School Hockey League. The eligibility rule requires that all the players must have been under sixteen years of age on January 1, 1909. The schedule is as follows: Tuesday, Jan. 12, Cong. vs Unitarian. Thursday, Jan. 14, Baptist vs Congregational. Saturday, Jan. 16, Unitarian vs Universalist and Episcopal vs Baptist. Tuesday, Jan. 19, Unitarian vs Episcopal. Thursday, Jan. 21, Cong. vs Universalist. Saturday, Jan. 23, Episcopal vs Congregational and Baptist vs Universalists. Tuesday, Jan. 26, Episcopal vs Universalist and Baptist vs Unitarian.

It was thought best to arrange two games on one day wherever possible. After each game the captains of the opposing teams will each send a post-card, provided for the purpose, to the secretary of the League, H. F. Viets, giving the names of the players on their team and the score of the game, and any protests that may arise. All games are scheduled for Spy pond. In case of inability to play a game on a scheduled day the two captains will jointly arrange a date agreeable to both.

An Arlington friend received a letter from Miss Clara Robbins on Monday of this week, written at Naples, Dec. 21st. Miss Robbins stated that the party, including herself and sisters together with Mr. Winfield Robbins, had made all their plans for their departure to spend Christmas in Sicily, so, without doubt, they were in that island of dire distress when the earthquakes and tidal waves occurred. It is thought, however, that they are safe, as they intended to go to Palermo and not Messina. Miss Elizabeth Newton, librarian of Robbins' library, received a post-card on Monday mailed at Naples on Dec. 17th, the day the J. T. Trowbridges were to arrive at Naples. Mrs. Trowbridge stated in the card that they had been informed that the Robbins party was still in Naples at that date. The disturbances on the ocean the past month have been so severe that steamers have been greatly delayed—many of them a week beyond their customary time of making port. This has retarded the receipt of mails from the other side very materially.

The annual New Year's party of the First Parish (Unitarian) church and Sunday school occurred on Friday of last week. Owing to sickness among the children, the attendance in the afternoon was somewhat smaller than in previous years. The little ones, however, were given a royal good time by their teachers, the latter part of the afternoon's entertainment being furnished by children of the Dorothy Dix Hall Association. Members of the parish and of the main school joined the company for supper, served at six o'clock in the ladies' parlor. It was the usual appetizing bill of fare of cold turkey, ham, scalloped oysters, rolls, cake and ice cream, that was partaken of by a company that filled every seat provided. At its conclusion a social hour followed, after which the Dorothy Dix

children repeated the program of music and recitations presented in the afternoon, with slight alterations. The entertainment was secured by the Junior Alliance, members of which also acted as waitresses at the supper. The committee providing the supper was as follows: Miss Mary Shaftack (chairman), Mesdames Wm. H. H. Tuttle, Bert Hough, George A. Smith, H. H. Homer, Alton F. Tupper, Peter Schwamb, David Buttrick, Miss Ellen W. Hodgdon, Miss Florence Harris.

The Bradshaw Missionary Association held its annual meeting and election of officers Monday afternoon, at three o'clock, in the ladies' parlor of the Orthodox Cong. church. The meeting was presided over by its president, Mrs. F. B. Thompson. Reports for the several departments were read and approved. The treasurer's report showed a balance on hand of \$296.67. Mrs. A. C. Cobb, who has been the recording secretary for the past year, declined a re-election. The following appropriations were voted upon at this time: \$120 to the Woman's Board of Foreign Missions; \$60 to the W. B. of Home Missions; \$15 for the Penn school; \$10 to Redfield College at South Dakota; \$20 Chinese Mission work in Boston; \$20 to the Boys' Industrial school at Albuquerque, N. M.; \$10 to Montgomery Industrial school; \$10 Willard Y. Settlement; \$5 to assist the Soopers' Lend-Hand in the worthy object in which they are interested. At the conclusion of the business Mrs. Arthur Wood and Mrs. C. E. Warren served from an attractively arranged table, containing dainty refreshments, assisted by Misses Gertrude and Emily Roden, Dorothea Rowse and Alice Bushnell. The following is the list of officers elected:

President—Mrs. F. B. Thompson. 1st vice-president—Mrs. C. E. Warren. 2nd vice-president—Mrs. Myron Taylor. Rec. sec'y.—Miss Harriet Fiske. Cor. sec'y.—Mrs. W. K. Cook. Cor. sec'y.—Miss Ellen Barrage. Treas.—Mrs. H. D. Dodge. Auditor.—Mrs. E. O. Grover.

## Hockey Games on Spy.

Spy pond was alive with skaters on Saturday afternoon, January 24, and there were several events in hockey contests. Hillside A. A., of Somerville, and Cambridge hockey team tried conclusions in an excellent game, the former team winning in a score of 4 to 2.

Last Saturday Arlington High defeated Wellesley High, 2 to 1, at ice hockey on the Hunnewell playground rink, at Wellesley. The Arlington forwards played a fast game, particularly Chick and Hill. The summary:

ARLINGTON H. S. WELLESLEY H. S.  
Murray f ..... f Webster  
Chick f ..... f Rankin  
Smart f ..... f Whitney  
Hill f ..... f Winslow  
Buckley ep ..... ep Winton  
Peirce p ..... p Ferris  
Munich g ..... g Lane  
Higgins g ..... g

Score, Arlington H. S. 2, Wellesley H. S. 1. Goals, made by Chick, Hill, Webster. Referee, Sibley. Timer, Pazetti. Time, 20m periods.

The newly formed Arlington hockey team was beaten by the Crescents, another local team, on Spy pond, last Saturday afternoon, 5 to 4, in one of the fastest games played here in sometime. From start to finish the game was played with a ru-hu, and some clever pass work was done. At the close of the first period the score stood 3 to 3, but by hard playing in the second period the Crescents scored two goals to Arlington's one. The game was the first of a series between the two teams. For the Crescents Hicks, Hornblower and Duffy were the stars, and for Arlington Clifford, Cassidy and Granman excelled. The summary:

CRESCENTS ARLINGTON H. C.  
Hicks f ..... f Clifford  
Hornblower f ..... f C. Grey  
Duffy f ..... f Cassidy  
Doddington f ..... f Granman  
Dineen ep ..... ep Bullard  
Smith p ..... p O'Brien  
Wood g ..... g Gray

Score, Crescents 5, Arlington H. C. 4. Goals, made by Hornblower, Hicks, 2, Duffy, Clifford, 2, Granman, Cassidy. Referee, Joyce. Umpires, Hickey and Ellsworth. Timer, Frothingham. Time, 20m halves.

Arlington Boat Club hockey team opened its season Saturday afternoon, the team from the Medford Boat Club playing it to a tie, 1 to 1. The game was the first of a series that will be played among the clubs of this district and it was witnessed by a large crowd. An extra period was played to try and break the tie, but to no avail; and then it was decided to call the game off and arrange for another soon to settle the tie. In the first period neither team scored, but early in the second half Smith of the Medford team succeeded in getting a fluky shot by the Arlington goal tenders, and it was not until the close of the period that Lunt of Arlington made a long shot and succeeded in getting the puck through. For the Arlington team Peirce, Peirce and Lunt were the stars, and for Medford, Smith, Hyde and Peckham played best. The summary:

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F. Viets f ..... f Walking  
Wyman f ..... f Smith  
Buxton f ..... f Peckham  
F. Johnson f ..... f Coffin  
Lunt f ..... f Coffin  
Peirce ep ..... ep Barnes  
Puffer p ..... p Tryon  
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## Mrs. Blaikie's Dancing Party.

The thirty children in Miss Blaikie's afternoon class gave a fancy dress party in Wellington Hall, on New Year's day. Owing to illness, some of the members were unable to be present, but twenty-five who participated presented a most charming sight as they marched about the hall and participated in the regular dances and the several German figures introduced. Mrs. M. Ernest Moore and Mrs. H. L. Haines were the matrons. The former was in green chiffon broad-cloth and black plumed hat, while the latter wore a black reception toilette and black hat. We shall not attempt to give the names of the children participating, but will enumerate some of the costumes, so an idea can be obtained of the attractiveness of the party.

There was a red cross nurse; Columbia; two lovely butterfly costumes, one in yellow and black, the other in blue and yellow; Folly, dressed in white and pink, with tinsel and bells; another of white satin trimmed with red and blue ribbons and bells; a Mexican boy, a Jockey, a Spanish girl, a Oxeyed Daisy, Poppy; two Spanish cavaliers in red satin suits and red plumed hats; one of the two Princes

in the Tower, in black velvet, and a white satin gentleman's court costume. Winter was impersonated by one of the dearest little ones in white satin, silver fringe and swansdown; there was a gypsy; a monkey, impersonated by one of the masters, who caused no little amusement for the juvenile spectators; Night, Little Bo Peep, Kate Greenaway, Daybreak pink, a fancy white and blue satin costume, trimmed with swansdown. At intermission ice cream and cake were served, and altogether it was a most happy concert for celebrating the first day of the new year.

## Clover Club Receives.

Thursday evening the Clover Lend-Hand invited their friends to join with them in an informal at home, which made a very happy New Year party and was at the same time a polite invitation for all so kindly intentioned to assist the benevolent fund of the club.

Mrs. James A. Bailey, Jr., kindly loaned her residence at 114 Pleasant street for the occasion and, as it is peculiarly well adapted for social functions, made a handsome setting for what proved one of the most attractive society events held in Arlington this season.

After the informal reception, during which the president of the club, Mrs. A. Murray Walcott, and Mrs. Bailey received, the former in a full evening toilette of pink satin, and the latter in white satin, there was a musical programme given by members of the Musical Club.

That popular and delightful number from Schumann's Flying Dutchman, was given by the quartette,—Mesdames Reed, Scully, Blake and Hornblower.

Mrs. E. Nelson Blake gave a group of songs, greatly to the pleasure of all present, and Miss Walcott, of Belmont, rendered piano selections, showing exceptional accomplishments by her delightful playing.

Miss Katharine Yerrinton was the accompanist of the several vocal numbers.

Mrs. John F. Scully sang Schumann's "Weidmung" (in German) very beautifully; and the piano score was fine.

Refreshments served in the dining room was the concluding feature of the evening.

The table made a beautiful picture for the eye to rest on, set with elegant china and silver, amid lovely decorations.

Mrs. Chas. A. Donnett had charge of the service in the dining room.

Those assisting her were Mrs. William G. Rice, Mrs. Walter Spooner, Mrs. F. N. Bott, Mrs. Henry Bullard, Misses Alice Homer and Alice Holway, Mrs. A. J. Wellington.

The pourers were Mrs. Wm. F. Homer, Miss Babson, Mrs. Ralph N. Smith, Mrs. Wm. Marsden.

All these ladies were beautifully gowned, and the assemblage was in all respects one noticeable for the taste and substance of its attire.

Miss Grace Gage took charge of the "coffee" party.

Next Tuesday, Jan. 12, the Boat Club rolls the Dudley Club, at Roxbury, in the Boston Pin League; and on Jan. 14th, the Boat Club rolls the Commercial Club of Brockton, at Arlington.

This (Saturday) evening, Prof. John J. O'Brien, late inspector of Japanese police, will give an exhibition of "Jiu Jitsu."

He is the original exponent of the art in America and furnishes an hour of enjoyment.

Come, and bring your friends, is the secretary's invitation.

The report of the "Smoker" Tuesday evening, will be found under a separate head line.

A close and interesting game in the Boston Pin series was bowled on the home alleys, Wednesday evening, Winthrop Yacht club being the visiting team, but the A. B. C. team captured all four events.

Durgin and Webb were high bowlers, each having a single of 102.

The totals were 415, 451, 466, 1372 for A. B. C.; 438, 446, 442, 1326 the totals for W. Y. C.

This Saturday afternoon, at three o'clock, a hockey game will be played on the rink in front of the club house by the club team, their opponents being the City Trust team of Boston.

The Gilt Edge team went down to defeat Thursday evening, in the game with Boston A. A. In the second event a tie was scored, but in roll-off A. B. C. lost.

The totals were for A. B. A. 791, 859, 887, 2537; A. B. C. 872, 859, 790, 2521.

Brooks made 560, Houghton 510, Ashworth 502, Usher 480, Tupper 467.

Menotomy Club Dance.

The Woman's Club met on Thursday afternoon in Associates Hall, and was to order to order at three o'clock by its president, Mrs. C. H. Dennett.

After the reading of the secretary's report, the president introduced Mrs. Florence Ives Atwood, of Dorchester, as the soloist of the afternoon.

Mrs. Atwood gave a group of three songs, accompanied at the piano by Mrs. Charles Devereaux.

Mrs. Dennett announced that Mr. Charles H. Morse, advertised as the speaker of the afternoon, was unable to be present, but had sent as his representative Miss Florence Marshall, who is associated with Mr. Morse in the Industrial work of the state.

Miss Marshall is especially interested in Industrial Education of girls and she confined her talk to that subject.

In opening, Miss Marshall said that to her mind there was no more burning topic to-day than the one she is so earnestly working for.

This problem has come through the changed conditions in our homes, brought about by the elimination of the many industries that were once a part of the home training, but which are now being done by skilled labor.

She touched upon what the schools are doing along these lines of training, but spoke of their limitations.

Miss Marshall is especially interested in the young girls who leave school at the ages of twelve and fourteen and are obliged to earn their living without any preparation.

For such she has been instrumental in the establishing of a Trade School in Boston, and her recital of what the school has already done for the one hundred and sixty girls who can be accommodated, was most interesting and awakened an enthusiasm among her audience.

At the conclusion of Miss Marshall's talk, Mrs. Dennett voiced the pleasure of the club in a happily worded sentence and in a graceful manner extended to the club best wishes for the new year just entered upon.

Mrs. Charles Swan will be at home on Tuesdays and Fridays only, to dispose of the guest tickets for Gentleman's Night. After Jan. 24th, any club member may obtain extra tickets.

It was Miss Myrtle A. Greene, one of Arlington's young singers, who was the soloist at the last meeting in December.

G. A. R. Night at A. B. C.

Well, those old fellows do just beat the band." Now what was intended to be conveyed by this not infrequent expression coming to us Tuesday evening at Arlington Boat Club, we shall not analyze.

The "band" was there; and, certainly a jollier crowd than their rivals never assembled; rarely has more fun rolled the hours along" than at the club "Smoker" of Jan. 5. A large portion of the membership of Francis Gould Post 36, G. A. R., came to the house marching in a body, about eight o'clock, and some what later Secretary of State, William M. Olm, and a portion of his G. A. R. comrades, generally known as "Olm's Gang," put in an appearance.

Prior to their arrival, "Post 36 Orchestra" gave instrumental numbers composed of old-time melodies, but with the advent of the "star" performers, the members mingled with the "Gang" and added volume to the choruses.

The control of affairs was promptly turned over to Secy Olm, and he proved his title to "dictator."

The opening number was "Camp Fire Song" by John L. Parker, to whom comrade Olm paid a graceful compliment.

Then followed a group of songs, after which Post-Dept. Commander John E. Gilman told an incident of the battle of Gettysburg, in which he lost his right arm and followed with a solo of his own composing,—"My Good Right Arm."

Other songs followed by way of prelude to Col. Hapgood's in the charge of the Soldiers' Home in Chelsea) story about Chancellorsville, where he was hit by a bullet that did not harm his body, because it imbedded itself in a test